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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC, November 16, 2009.

I hereby appoint the Honorable GERALD E. CONNOLLY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

> NANCY PELOSI. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord of the ages and ever-present to faithful believers, You are our source of life and our strength.

The character of a people is easily fashioned by the typology of their land, the households of their families, and their history. Yet through all the changes of time and space, You, Lord, may step in and make an even greater difference in the lives of individuals and in the life of a nation.

Be with our beloved country and its government leaders today and throughout this coming week. May true goodness and lasting peace radiate from Your people and give You glory now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. LYNCH) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. LYNCH led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God. indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives, Washington, DC, November 9, 2009. Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker, The Capitol, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on November 9, 2009 at 4:26 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 210.

With best wishes I am.

Sincerely.

LORRAINE C. MILLER, Clerk of the House.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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> House of Representatives, Washington, DC, November 9, 2009.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI, Speaker, The Capitol, House of Representatives, $Washington,\,DC.$

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on November 9, 2009, at 1:40 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 806.

That the Senate passed S. 1860.

Appointments:

Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER, Clerk of the House.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, November 10, 2009.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker, The Capitol, House of Representatives, $Washington,\,DC.$

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on November 10, 2009, at 9:29 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 955.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1516.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1713.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2004.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2215.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2760.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2972. That the Senate passed without amend-

ment H.R. 3119. That the Senate passed without amend-

ment H.R. 3386. That the Senate passed without amend-

ment H.R. 3547.

That the Senate passed S. 1825. With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER, Clerk of the House.

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow for morning-hour debate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

BRING OUR TROOPS HOME

(Mr. DUNCAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DUNCAN. Mr. Speaker, there is nothing conservative about the war in Afghanistan. The Center for Defense Information said a few months ago that we had spent over \$400 billion on the war and war-related costs there. Now, the Pentagon says it will cost about \$1 billion for each 1,000 additional troops we send to Afghanistan. One Republican Member from California told me recently that we could buy off every warlord in Afghanistan for \$1 billion.

Fiscal conservatives should be the ones most horrified by all this spending. Conservatives who oppose big government and huge deficit spending at home should not support it in foreign countries just because it is being done by our biggest bureaucracy, the Defense Department.

We have now spent \$1.5 trillion that we did not have—that we had to borrow—in Iraq and Afghanistan. Eight years is long enough. In fact, it is too long. Let's bring our troops home and start putting Americans first once again.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken after 6:30 p.m. today.

W. HAZEN HILLYARD POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3767) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 North Main Street in Smithfield, Utah, as the "W. Hazen Hillyard Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3767

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. W. HAZEN HILLYARD POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170

North Main Street in Smithfield, Utah, shall be known and designated as the "W. Hazen Hillyard Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "W. Hazen Hillyard Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. Lynch) and the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. Duncan) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Massachusetts.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and add any extraneous materials.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

Mr. LYNCH. I now yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as the chairman of the House subcommittee with jurisdiction over the United States Postal Service, I present H.R. 3767 for consideration. This legislation will designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 North Main Street in Smithfield, Utah, as the "W. Hazen Hillyard Post Office Building."

H.R. 3767 was introduced by my friend and colleague Representative ROB BISHOP of Utah on October 8, 2009, and it was favorably reported out of the House Oversight Committee by voice vote on October 29, 2009. In addition, this legislation enjoys the support of the entire Utah House delegation.

A native of the city of Smithfield, Utah, Mr. W. Hazen Hillyard was born on June 6, 1893, and dedicated his life and career to serving his beloved Smithfield community. Mr. Hillyard began his career in public service as a member of the Smithfield City Council from 1930 to 1933, during which time he sponsored a variety of community projects designed to enhance and revamp the city.

Notably, Mr. Hillyard's tenure on the Smithfield City Council, on which he also served from 1964 to 1968, included his meticulous research effort to verify, upgrade, and catalog the records of the Smithfield City Cemetery. In addition, Mr. Hillyard's lifelong service to his Smithfield community included his active membership in the local Kiwanis Club, a Smithfield service organization, which elected Mr. Hillyard as its president in 1937. Moreover, Mr. Hillyard also served as chairman of the City Library Board, chairman of the Smithfield Historical Heritage Society, and vice chairman of the Cache Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America for several years. The latter organization presented Mr. Hillyard with its Silver Beaver Award in recognition of his long-time service to the scouting program.

In 1934, Mr. Hillyard began a new career in public service when he was appointed to serve as postmaster of Smithfield. Notably, at the beginning of Mr. Hillyard's tenure, the city of Smithfield did not provide home delivery, and as a result, residents had to call the post office in order to receive their mail. While Mr. Hillyard thoroughly enjoyed his interaction with residents as they stopped by the general delivery window for mail services. he also recognized the need for enhanced postal facilities and services as the population of Smithfield grew over the years. Accordingly, Mr. Hillyard played an instrumental role in obtaining a new and larger post office facility for Smithfield in 1957, and in 1963, he led a successful effort to implement home delivery of the mail to all houses in Smithfield.

During his service as Smithfield's postmaster, Mr. Hillyard was an active member of the Utah chapter of the National Postmasters Association and was eventually elected to serve as president of the Utah chapter in 1952. That same year and in furtherance of his role, Mr. Hillyard visited every single post office in the State of Utah.

In recognition of Mr. Hillyard's service to the Smithfield community, the Smithfield Lion's Club presented Mr. Hillyard with its Outstanding Citizen of the Year Award in 1974.

Regrettably, Mr. Hillyard passed away on April 22, 1992, at the age of 99. However, while he is no longer with us, Mr. Hillyard's life and legacy of public service will live on through his various accomplishments on behalf of his beloved Smithfield community.

Mr. Speaker, let us take this opportunity to honor Mr. W. Hazen Hillyard through the passage of this legislation to designate the Smithfield post office facility in his honor. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting H.R. 3767.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DUNCAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise today in support of H.R. 3767, which designates the United States Post Office at 170 North Main Street in Smithfield, Utah, as the "W. Hazen Hillyard Post Office Building."

Mr. Hazen Hillyard of Smithfield, Utah, was born in 1893 and grew up on his family's farm. Always active in his community, he served on the Smithfield City Council twice from 1930 to 1933 and again from 1964 to 1968, being reelected after staying out of office 31 years.

While on the council, he worked tirelessly to upgrade the catalog of the records of Smithfield's city cemetery. He was also instrumental in a number of projects to beautify his hometown.

A member of many civic organizations, Mr. Hillyard served on the Smithfield Historical Heritage Society, was president of the local Kiwanis Club, vice chairman of the Cache Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and was awarded the Silver Beaver